



ABC UPDATE

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LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS

On January 18, 2005, the question of "Are you in favor of the sale of alcoholic beverages in the City of Beaver Dam, Ohio County, Kentucky?" was on the ballot. The measure **failed** 653 to 373.

Also on January 18, 2005, the Eddy Creek Precinct in Caldwell County voted on the sale of wine at the Black Oak Vineyard and Winery. The measure **passed** 287 to 174.

On January 25, 2005, the North Goshen Precinct A 101 in Oldham County, held a local option election to determine whether to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages by the drink at the Harmony Landing Country Club. The vote **passed** 77 to 4.

WELCOME STEVE EDWARDS!

On February 1, 2005, Steve Edwards began as the Distilled Spirits Administrator with the Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control. Steve brings to the ABC an extensive legal background that includes experience as an attorney in private practice and in government service as an attorney with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Steve has also had a long and rewarding military career in the United States Army Reserve, where he currently serves at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Corps. His Army service includes a tour of duty in Iraq in 2003 while attached to the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) as Chief of the office of De-Ba'athification for northern Iraq and he currently serves as Command Judge Advocate for the 332nd Medical Brigade in Nashville, Tennessee.

WELCOME JIM ACQUISTO!

Jim Acquisto started as the Director of Enforcement for the Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control on January 16, 2005. Jim brings 21 years of law enforcement experience to the Office, as a retired Detective Sergeant with the Daviess County Sheriff's Department. He most recently worked with the Office of Drug Control Policy in the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet. Jim and his wife have three children and reside in Lexington.

A FEW DO'S AND DON'TS

- You must be **20** years old to bartend, serve or sell alcohol **by the drink** (not 20 and a day, 20 years old is 20 years old).
- If an employee has had **two alcohol related**, or any felony convictions (including DUI) in the past **two years**, you may not employ them as a bartender, server or seller of alcohol.
- You must post your alcohol license(s) in a conspicuous place at your business.
- You may not transfer your license or operate on another person's license without prior written permission from the ABC.
- You must keep your alcohol related business records for a period of two years.
- A licensee may not permit anyone to bring their own alcoholic beverages into into your place of business.
- A licensee may not extend personal credit or give away alcoholic beverages.
- Licensees may not allow their premises to become disorderly.

ATTENTION GROCERS

If a clerk is under the age of 18, the procedure for an alcohol sale is as follows:

- Have customers hold alcohol until the end of the sale.
- When alcohol reaches the register, the under-age clerk should call for a clerk or manager that is at least 18 years of age to **finish** the transaction.
- The underage clerk cannot ring up the alcohol, nor accept the payment. The sale must be completed by the older clerk..